

CITY TATTERSALLS TOASTMASTERS CLUB No.5861
Area One, Central Division, District 70

March/April 2007 NEWSLETTER

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Rupali Shah, an inspirational and committed member of City Tattersalls Toastmasters, has relocated to New York to pursue her ambitions. I have stepped in her place as editor of the bi-monthly newsletter.

The past two months have been filled with excitement, a couple of contests, a business meeting and an educational session. A warm thank you to all of our members for contributing and participating.

Evaluation Contest

Being able to present an constructive evaluation is an invaluable skill. Show off your listening and critical thinking skills by entering the evaluations contest. The contest is held once a year. Start preparing now for next year!

This year in February four members participated in the evaluations contest: Rupali Shah, Chris Freeland, William Onishi and George Endacott.

Congratulations to Chris Freeland who won the Evaluation Contest
Congratulations to Rupali Shah who was awarded Second Place.

Chris Freeland represented the club in the Area Contest held, Thursday 29th March at City Tattersalls.

INTERNATIONAL CONTEST

Have you ever imagined traveling the world with your voice? Have you completed six speeches from the competent communicator manual? If you answer yes to both questions, enter the next International Contest!

This year in March four contestants participated: Dennis Szabo, Julia Sztaba, Peter Anderson and Keith Anderson.

A big applause to Keith Anderson who won the International Contest with a speech titled 'Dare to Dream'. Peter Anderson got the runner-up position.

The winner of this contest, Keith Anderson represented the club in the Area Contest held on 29th March.

A contest cannot be held without: a Chairman/ Toastmaster, contestants, timers, counters, judges and chief judge and audience. Thank you to all members who contributed by participating.

Division Events:

Division Evaluations and International Contests:

19th April, Bowlers Club, York Street.

Congratulations to those who attended the evening contest.

"We learn from our great speakers."

RESULTS OF THE BUSINESS MEETING HELD IN MARCH.

1. Effective 1 April 2007, any new member must also be a current member of our sponsoring club, the City Tattersalls Club.
 2. Guests must attend at least two meetings to show commitment before joining and may become a member upon attendance at the second meeting.
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PETER ANDERSON SHARES HIS EXPERIENCE AS A TOASTMASTER:

Peter enjoys performance with a competitive edge.

He participated in the European finals contest in Munich, Germany in 1994.

Winning the club, area division and division contests led Peter in participating as a contestant twice in the District 70 finals: once in the 1980's and again in 2005, Brighton Le Sands.

When did you first joint Toastmasters?

In 1982, Harbord Diggers, Northern Beaches.

What was your first impression of toastmasters?

Stuffy, conservative, and he felt the club needed a lot of shaking up. This is exactly what Peter does with his great sense of humour.

Why did you join?

A need to improve public speaking skills and build confidence.

What has kept you motivated?

I really enjoy it! The performing, feedback and challenge.

What have you gained from Toastmasters?

It has helped me in my day to day work acting as a differentiator that is between himself and his peers. He now has the ability to present complex technical subject matter that can be understood by non technical business people.

What is the topic of your next speech?

I have no idea. I am not badge orientated. He enjoys being an active member without a focus on achievement these days. He prefers preparing for contests rather than manual speeches.

His words of advice for Toastmaster members:

"Consider Toastmasters as an opportunity to experiment. In the business world experimenting would cost money but at toastmasters it costs nothing but your time and commitment."

EDUCATIONAL SESSION
Mentoring -
Presented by George Endacott

Would you like to, "Build Confidence, Overcome Anxiety, Be Prepared for Various Roles, and see yourself Complete the Competent Communicator Manual." A mentor will help you achieve all these things. As little as fifteen to twenty minutes a week the mentoring experience is invaluable. The mentor acts as a role model, coach and confidante. The mentee eager to learn will receive additional guidance. George encourages all new and current members to complete the mentoring form to participate.

Proud Identity

The City Tattersalls Club has requested that all Toastmasters members carry their membership badge to the meetings to assist the club in identifying bona-fide visitors. Wear your Toastmaster badge with pride. It can be a great conversation starter.

Words to ponder over...

Recent words presented by our Lexicologists:


Leader – (noun) guide, figurehead, director.

Reticent – (adjective) reserved, restrained, silent.

The month of April:

Dissuade- (verb), to refrain, to deter.

ARE YOU Scared OF Speaking IN Public?



Develop better speaking and presentation skills
Learn to think quickly and clearly on your feet
Build your leadership style

Would you like to share your first experiences at Toastmasters, your first speech or the tenth?

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